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## 4th Annual Prayer Breakfast



**Bill Martin,  
Guest Speaker**



**Singing, Music, Prayer and Food**



*Photographs by Master Sgt. Dale Atkins, 110th Multimedia*

# Commander's Comments . . .

## ORI 2005 — Smart Planning ... On Target ... Safety Focus!

**Lt. Col David L. Augustine, 110 FW Vice Commander**

This June drill, we've have quite a schedule of fun things to do at the Wing. First, on Saturday, we're celebrating our annual Employer Day. This is the perfect time to bring your employer to the base and educate them on why their support is so vital to the security of our nation. Second, we've got the Wing's bi-annual formation, where we'll salute many of our military members for both local and deployed superior service to our country. In the evening, the Company Grade Officer's Council is hosting our Dining Out at the McCamly Plaza. This is a wonderful event celebrating the Wing's success with a lineup of great entertainment activities. Along with these events, a handful of our top performers will be receiving AT-38 incentive flights. Needless to say, not all of the performers will land with "performing" stomachs!



For the month of July, please prepare your families to come out to our annual Family Day on Saturday which will include events for "all" ages, young and old. We will also be holding a spouse incentive flight(s) on KC-135 tanker aircraft on Sunday of July drill. This is a great way for unit members to allow their spouse to come see an A-10 flight briefing and actually fly on a tanker to view a

real world refueling mission of an A-10 fighter.

If we take a look on the horizon, June kicks off a calendar countdown of 12 months to go until our upcoming Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI). As with any inspection, you'll each have to focus on your individual specialty to ensure you are comfortable with your wartime skills including your personal Ability to Survive and Operate (ATSO) in a chemical/biological environment. With a walk before we run approach,

each Unit first must determine spin-up actions necessary to ensure their personnel are "comfortable and capable" in their wartime skills. The Wing in turn, has created a series of

exercises and evaluations to rate your capabilities and improve upon them before the Air Combat Command (ACC) sends their formal team here for the inspection in June 2005.

As with any inspection preparation plan, it's important that we stay fit and focused to the task at hand; whether that be flying, fixing or supporting the operations that will validate our capability to succeed in an ORI as a flying Wing. The success of our Unit will be determined as a TEAM! We must interact, prepare and execute the inspection as a TEAM. With a POSITIVE ATTITUDE, the inspection staff will know from the onset we are here to perform. Keep up the GREAT work – put the vector on the horizon!

Dates	Exercise	# Personnel	Location
2 to 3 Oct 04	Mobility Exercise (MOBEX)	As Required	Battle Creek, MI
5 to 7 Oct 04	Command Post Exercise (CPX)	70	Alpena, MI
6 to 7 Nov 04	Wing War Weekend	All Personnel	Battle Creek, MI
Jan UTA 05	Wing War Cleanup / MOBEX Cleanup	As Required	Battle Creek, MI
Feb UTA 05	Mini-MOBEX	As Required	Battle Creek, MI
Mar UTA 05	ORI Spinup Training	As Required	Battle Creek, MI
2 to 10 Apr 05	Operational Readiness Exercise (ORE)	All Personnel	Alpena, MI
May UTA 05	ORI Last Minute Fix It Training	As Required	Battle Creek, MI
2 to 14 Jun 05	Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI)	As Required	Alpena, MI

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# 110th pilot hits a rare milestone



*by Major Robert DeCoster*

## **BATTLE CREEK ANG BASE, Mich., May 5, 2004**

– Sunday, May 2, was a day in the making for almost 19 years for Lt. Col. Clifford W. Latta, Jr., an A-10 pilot with the 110<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing.

While flying enroute back to Battle Creek via Fort Smith, Ark., returning from the Hawgsmoke Competition Latta passed the 4,000 hour mark of flying the A-10 Thunderbolt II, a feat accomplished by about only a dozen other pilots, or less than 1 percent.

There are only about a half dozen other 4,000+ hour pilots still on flying status, so Latta is definitely a member of an elite group.

Accompanying Latta on his momentous flight were his wingmen Lt. Col. David W. Morris and Major Donald F. Henry, both also from the 110<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing.

A veteran of Operation Allied Force in 1999 and Operation Iraqi Freedom last year, Latta has accrued

over 100 of those 4,000 hours flying combat missions, earning him two Distinguished Flying Crosses.

Beginning his career at Sheppard AFB, Texas with the Euro-NATO Joint Fighter Pilot Training, Latta later went on to Holloman AFB, NM for fighter lead in training. His first A-10 assignment was with the 25<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron at Suwon AB, Korea. After Suwon, he moved on to RAF Bentwaters-Woodbridge where he demonstrated his flying skills as the Display Pilot for Europe with the 81<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing.

Before joining the 110<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing and the Michigan Air National Guard in 1992, he attended Fighter Weapons School and also flew with the 422 TES at Nellis AFB, Nev. He joined the 110<sup>th</sup> based on the fact they had just transitioned to the A-10 as well as it being close to his hometown of Toledo, Ohio.

In his civilian career, Latta flies for American Airlines, but is currently on leave while working with Headquarters, Air Force Plans, Future Total Force Office.

He lives in Baltimore with his wife and two children.



## ***Employer Day 2004***

June 5, Starting at 9 a.m. in Ops Auditorium  
**Planned activities include:**

*Wing Mission Brief, ESGR Brief,  
Lunch at the Dining Facility, A-10 Display, and with  
supervisor coordination, individual shop tours*

**Contact Public Affairs at ext. 3234 if your employer is going to join us.**



## Frequently asked questions

by The Betsy Ross House

- 1) Who cut the American flag into pieces and was honored for doing it?
- 2) Is it ever appropriate to fly the flag upside down?
- 3) What is done with worn or outdated flags?
- 4) Francis Scott Key wrote the words to "The Star-Spangled Banner" on the back of an envelope. What is the source of the music for it?
- 5) The American flag first flew over a foreign fort in what country?
- 6) A vexillologist is an expert in what?
- 7) "Shipwreck" Kelly (1885-1952) was famous for sitting for long periods of time. What did he have to do with flags?

## Answers

- 1) Robert Peary, who left pieces of the flag scattered at the North Pole.
- 2) Yes, but only in an emergency. It means "Help Me, I am in Trouble!"
- 3) Flags are used until they are worn out and then they are destroyed, preferably by burning.
- 4) The music is from an old English drinking song called "To Anacreon in Heaven."
- 5) Libya — over Fort Derne, on the shores of Tripoli.
- 6) The history of flags.
- 7) He set many flagpole-sitting records. He sat for 49 days on one flagpole. He once estimated that he spent a total of over 20,000 hours sitting on flagpoles. Flagpole sitting was a craze started in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1929.

# Tribute to Flag Day: "The Flag"



Hello. Remember me? Some people call me Old Glory, others call me the Star Spangled Banner, but whatever they call me, I am your flag, the flag of the United States of America.

Something has been bothering me, so I thought I might talk it over with you - because it is about you and me.

I remember some time ago, people would line up on both sides of the street to watch the parade, and naturally I was leading every one, proudly waving in the breeze.

When your Daddy saw me coming, he immediately removed his hat and placed it against his left shoulder so that his hand was directly over his heart - remember?

And you, I remember, were standing there, straight as a

soldier. You didn't have a hat, but you were giving the right salute. Remember your little sister? Not to be outdone, she was saluting the same as you with her right hand over her heart - remember?

What happened? I'm still the same old flag. Oh, I've added a few more stars since you were a boy, and a lot more blood has been shed since those parades of long ago.

But now, somehow I don't feel as proud as I used to feel. When I come down the street, you just stand there with your hands in your pockets. You may give me a small glance, and then you look away. I see children running around you shouting; they don't seem to know who I am.

I saw one man take his hat off, then he looked around, and when he didn't see anybody else take off his hat, he quickly put his on again.

Is it a sin to be patriotic today? Have you forgotten what I stand for, and where I have been? Anzio, Guadalcanal, Korea and Vietnam!

Take a look at the memorial honor rolls, and see the names of those patriotic Americans who gave their lives to keep this republic free. When you salute me, you are actually saluting them!

So when you see me, please stand straight and place your hand over your heart, and I'll know that you remembered. I'll salute you by waving back!

## Why is the flag called "Old Glory"?

by The Betsy Ross House

In 1831, Captain William Driver, a shipmaster from Salem, Massachusetts, left on one of his many world voyages. Friends presented him with a flag of 24 stars. As the banner opened to the ocean breeze, he exclaimed, "Old Glory." He kept his flag for many years, protecting it during the Civil War, until it was flown over the Tennessee capital. His "Old Glory" became a nickname for all American flags.

*"You can't appreciate home till you've left it, money till it's spent, your wife until she's joined a woman's club, nor Old Glory till you see it hanging on a broomstick on a shanty of a consul in a foreign town,"*  
O. Henry (1862-1919).



# Chief's View: Are you fit for duty?

by Chief Master Sgt. Kim Gephart

Get Fit Dude



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Battle Creek Air National Guard Base: **42%** of females and **38%** of the males that completed the physical fitness test did not meet the standards.

Technology may have changed the way we fight wars today, but physical fitness remains a critical component of the effectiveness of every military member. We now have capabilities that allow us to fight continuously around the clock, further establishing the need for fitness and endurance. Not only have our capabilities changed, but with a reduced military force and a continuously changing world, all members of the U.S. military must be physically fit and prepared at all times.

Everyone should be well aware of the physical fitness standards that Air National Guard members must now comply with. As the Wing's Fitness Program Managers, Senior Master Sgt. Bob Shankleton and I have entertained more questions, and endured more complaints than one can imagine. For the first time in my career, the Air Force and Air National Guard are requiring its' members to *truly* demonstrate a level of fitness. Much like the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, the Air Force's fitness program now involves tests of muscular strength and endurance, aerobic capacity, and body composition. I have to admit that this makes me smile - I have often thought that the Air Force's fitness requirements were a little embarrassing compared to our sister services.

It goes without saying that each of the services has a very different mission - but every individual that has enlisted in the

military has done so knowing that physical fitness was part of the deal. Unfortunately, this part of our commitment has never really been enforced. Now we enter into a time where deployments in the Guard are unlike anything we've ever known. We have members of almost every career field deploying worldwide. Not only are these deployments taking individuals from all career fields, they're also taking all ages. The Guard is traditionally a much older force than our active duty counterparts, yet we're being tasked in the same manner. It's our responsibility as members of the armed forces to be physically fit and capable of deploying to any environment. Military historian William Nash once noted, "the success and general efficiency of every military establishment is, in a very large degree, dependent upon the physical fitness, endurance, and condition of the individual units of which it is composed." Don't become complacent in thinking the Air Force doesn't need to be as physically fit as the Army or Marine Corp. Although our missions may be different, we have had a number of our Wing personnel deploy to environments that we would have never imagined previously. We've had quite a few members return from recent deployments with injuries and illnesses that might possibly be attributed to poor physical conditioning. Not only are you doing yourself a favor by maintaining a high fitness level, but don't forget about the airman sitting next to you.

Although no testing program is perfect, each of the areas we are now being evaluated on touches on an aspect of fitness that's considered essential to an individual's overall physical condition. No single test will

measure the endurance of all muscles: sit-ups are a measure of abdominal muscle endurance, while push-ups indicate upper body muscular endurance and strength. Adequate strength and endurance of abdominal muscles are associated with the ability to perform common pushing, pulling, and carrying tasks. It is also an important element in the prevention of lower back injury. Aerobic capacity is the ability of the heart and lungs to deliver oxygen to working muscles. This is associated with the ability to carry out strenuous work throughout the workday without incurring undue fatigue.

We've all known about these new requirements for several months. There are those that claim the test is unfair or impossible to pass... and there are those that have become regulars in the gym, new running faces out in the back forty, or coworkers requiring 10 push-ups of each other before they leave work each day - to the latter, I say..... Hoooahhh! Senior leaders - Col. Seidel has said numerous times that you can't expect your people to do what you're not willing to do yourself. Nobody expects you to become a marathon racer, but you are expected to do everything within your capabilities to maintain a fitness level that will not make you a liability if deployed. For the full time force - everyone is authorized a period of fitness training during the week. Use this time to maintain your physical commitment to the Guard and to yourself. Unless the mission prohibits, there is no reason you shouldn't be in the gym, or out walking or running. Commanders and supervisors - encourage your people to get fit. Time for physical fitness should be viewed no differently than time for lunch. As long as the mission is not hindered, no commander or supervisor should ever discourage or harass an employee about using time for fitness.

# UTA Planner

<b>Saturday, 5 June, 2004</b>			
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>OPR</b>
CATM Training (Apr- Sept, UTM's schedule using TrainTrack)	Bldg. 6911	0830 to 1400 Limited Seats	SFS (x-3300) MSgt. Holman
Customer Service Hours (MPF, MDS, LRS, CF, SFS, & FM))	As Applicable	0830 to 1200 1300 to 1400	MPF/CC (x-3229) Capt. Mansfield
CDC/PME Testing (UTMs schedule using TrainTrack)	Bldg. 6905 Testing Room	0845 to 1200	MPF/DPMT (x-3422) MSgt. Boykins
Initial Clothing Issue	Bldg. 6914 Room 104 E	0900 to 1400 (by Appt.)	LRS (x-3352) SSgt. Johnson
Quantitative FIT Testing (Gas Mask) (Every Drill)	Bldg. 6930 Room 118	0900 to 1000	BioEnviron (x-3416) MSgt. Mergener
3A0X1 Upgrade Training (Every Saturday of Drill)	Bldg. 6900 Computer Class #1	0930 to 1130	CF (x-3408) TSgt. Holmes
Dining Hall Hours	Bldg. 6930 Dining Hall	1100 to 1300	SVF (x-3266) SMSgt. Moye
Immunizations	Bldg. 6930 MDS	1200 to 1400	MDS (x-3212) CMSgt. Gephart
Counter Chemical Warfare Training (CCW) (2004 ONLY!! One Time Training UTM's Use TrainTrack to schedule))	Bldg. 6913 Auditorium	1300 to 1400	Dis. Prep. (x-3381) MSgt. Frantz
UDM/Deployment Meeting	Bldg. 6900 AROM	1300 to 1400	LRS/LGRR (x-3558) MSgt. Combs
Family Program Meeting	Bldg. 6930	1300 to 1400	FRG (x-3493) Mrs. Berry
Wing Formation	Bldg. 6900 Hanger Floor	14445 to 1600	MSF/CC (x-3229) Capt. Mansfield
2004 Dining Out	McCamly Plaza Hotel	1800 to ????	Dining Out Committee

**Note: Planner is subject to change and updates, please check with your supervisor or the base intranet site for updates**



## 110TH FIGHTER WING ROOKIE GOLF LEAGUE



Introducing the 110 FW Rookie Golf League. It's open to anyone who would like to learn the art of golf or for those who would like to improve their game. The Rookie League will start 1 June 2004 and will continue for 10 weeks. We will play a scramble format with 10 teams of two plus anyone who would like to play as a substitute.

WHERE: Custer Greens Golf Course (located at the VA Hospital, Battle Creek, MI)

WHEN: Every Tuesday at 1730 (the first three weeks will include 30 minutes of instruction by a golf pro)

WEEKLY COST: \$6 Green Fees (9 holes), \$6 Per Person for cart, \$1 Pull Cart, \$6 Golf Club rentals

LEAGUE FEE: \$5 One time fee to cover cost of awards

\*\*\*\*\*For more information please contact Tech. Sgt. LaBruzzy at X3415 or Senior Airman Griffin at X3417.



# UTA Planner

<b>Sunday, June 6, 2004</b>			
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>OPR</b>
Physical Fitness Training (UTM's schedule using TrainTrack)	Bldg. 6930 Dining Hall	0630 to 1030	CMSgt. Gephart (x-3212) SMSgt. Shaknleton (x-3294)
Customer Service Hours (MPF, MDS, LRS, CF, SFS, FM)	As Applicable	0830 to 1100	MPF/CC (x-3229) Capt. Mansfield
Catholic Mass	Bldg. 6905 Wing Conf. Room	0830 to 0900	Chaplain Office (x-3371) Maj. Pleiness
CATM Training (April through September)	Bldg. 6911	0830 to 1600	SFS (x-3300) MSgt. Holman
Immunizations	Bldg. 6930 Medical Squadron	0900 to 1100	MDS (x3212) CMSgt. Gephart
Work Group Managers' Training (Information Management Specialists)	Bldg. 6900 Comp. Class #1	0830 to 1100	CF (x-3441) CMSgt. Keller
Junior Enlisted Advisory Council	Bldg. 6905 Wing Conf. Room	0900 to 1000	JEAC (x-3305) SSgt. Weitting
Deployment/Mobilization Training	Bldg. 6910 CE Conf. Room	0900 to 1100	LRS/LGRR (x-3353) MSgt. Combs
Shelter Manager Training	Bldg. 6909 Dis. Prep. Classroom	0900 to 1100	Disaster Preparedness (x-3381) MSgt. Frantz
Initial Information Awareness (IA) Training	Bldg. 6900 Computer Class #2	0900 to 1100	CF (x-3441) CMSgt. Keller
Re-enlistments	Bldg. 6910 Classroom	1000 to 1100	MSF (x-3209) MSgt. Kahler
Senior Enlisted Advisory Council	Bldg. 6905 Wing Conf. Room	1015 to 1115	SEAC (x-3515) SMSgt. Schulte
Company Grade Officers' Council <i>Working Lunch</i>	Bldg. 6930 MDS Conf. Room	1100 to 1200	CGOC (x-3222) Lt. Black
Dining Hall Hours	Bldg. 6930 Dining Hall	1100 to 1300	SVF (x-3266) SMSgt. Moyer
Human Resources Advisory Council (Feb., Mar., June, & Sept. 04)	Bldg. 6905 CC Conf. Room	1115 to 1215	FW/HR Advisor (x-3478) CMSgt. Luts
Chief's Council	Bldg. 6905 Wing Conf. Room	1330 to 1430	Chief's Council (x-3223) CMSgt. Philo
Wing CC "Drill Hotwash"	Bldg. 6905 Wing Conf. Room	1500 to 1600	FW/CC (x-3299) Col. Seidel

## JetStream editor moves to MI-TAG PAO

**By Senior Amn. Barbara M. Franks**

For four and a half years I have been blessed to work with the members at the 110<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing. Ever since I enlisted in the Guard I have had nothing less than extreme kindness and helpfulness from around the base in helping me to put together the JetStream. I have learned a lot from my experiences here and from all of the members.

I am heading to Lansing to work in their public affairs office, on the staff of the Wolverine Guard. That being said the job of editor of the Jetstream will be available. The individual who gets the job they will have an extremely supportive staff that makes being in public affairs a dream job. Working at a job that allowed me to get to know everyone on this base a little bit better has been a blessing. It is for those reasons I have decided to make the Air National Guard my full-time career. I look forward to the chance to work with you all again.

Anybody interested in the JetStream editor position, contact Maj. Robert DeCoster at 969-3234.

# Transitions, Dates & Deadlines

## UTA Dates

June 5 & 6

July 10 & 11

Aug. 7 & 8

Sept. 11 & 12

Oct. 2 & 3

Nov. 6 & 7

Dec. 4 & 5

## Promotions

### Senior Amn

Gina Barkovich

Jodi L. Wells

Joshua A. Medley

Jeffrey T. Luts

Harry Griego

Jason D. Fry

### Tech Sgt.

Kelly M. Kuhlmann

Ricky D. Mclatcher

### Senior Master Sgt.

Michael J. Schulte

110 FW

110 LRS

110 AMXS

110 MXS

110 MXS

110 FW

110 OSF

110 CES

110 MXG

## Re-enlistees

110 AMXS

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Scott J. Storey

Tom O. Gunsell

110 MDG

Russell C. Carroll

Randal A. Mergener

110 MXS

Larry M. Mullens

110 MSF

Anthony Boykins, Jr.

110 MG

Robert C. Robinson

110 CES

Stephen J. Contreras

Bradley S. Gilliam

110 MXG

Michael J. Schulte

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July 14

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AFNEWS



# Security Forces complete sustainment training

by Chief Master Sgt. Edward Bartha

History was made again April 24 to May 2 when 58 personnel assigned with the 110th Security Forces Squadron deployed to Alpena in order to close the gaps on their required sustainment training. Sustainment training is a concept where members can maintain skills identified on the training standards established in their career field CFETP. The intent is to train to a standard and the objective was successfully accomplished.



*Charlie Squad clearing and securing a building*

Squadron leadership received daily intelligence briefings that were required for them to draft and present their Operations Order to the squadron prior to assaulting a mock city which was at the training site located at the Alpena CRTC. Squad leaders were tasked to write the five paragraph OPORD detailing how they would assault the city and meet their objective. A terrain model of the city was constructed and used as a visual aid for fire teams who would be clearing and securing each building as the OPORD was executed. Squadron personnel rehearsed tactical movements and how they would react to enemy contact and danger crossings. Ruck's were inspected and packed and all members reported to the Collin's Center where Capt. Todd Williams, the SFS commander, presented them with

the final OPORD.

April 29, 2004, personnel were issued their weapons and formed up for their march into the city. As expected, they reached their first checkpoint where they received a last minute intelligence update from a coalition soldier. As the troops advanced through narrow terrain, they met their first enemy contact.

Fighting through and breaking contact the flight quickly assembled and assumed their original directional heading. A RECON team, lead by Master Sgt. Larry Englert, separated from the main body and established an overwatch of the city. The main assault team lead by Master Sgt. David

Perigo instructed his team to move out. Within 20 minutes, the mock city was encircled with forces engaging on the target. The objective, securing the governor's palace, was met. Williams called for a cease fire and his troops pulled out of the city.

Arriving at Alpena on April 24, personnel received their training outline and overview of the week. Master Sgt. Tom Nequette, Security Forces



*Master Sgt. Kevin Grady completes the terrain model which will help familiarize the troops prior to movement*

trainer who spearheaded the training plan, noted that mornings started promptly at 0630 with routine physical fitness training. Personnel then began what would be long days attending a variety of classes to include practical evaluations. Classes conducted to prepare the squadron for the OPORD included; processing enemy personnel, sentry duties, fire control measures, building entry and clearing, physical

apprehension and restraint techniques, defensive rifle techniques, personnel and vehicle searches, map and compass, vehicle operations and specialized weapons training. The week in review critiques illustrated that the training was very practical and well received by unit members. Senior Airman Jeff Nowaczak commented that, "this has been the best training offered since I've joined the squadron about four years ago."



*Airman 1st Class Daniel Kalee Secures a cleared building*

# "Catch the Spirit" of fitness in 2004

**By Lt. Col. Donna Kowalski**

Everyone is a winner that participates in the Cereal City Corporate Cup, and again this year the 110 FW will field a team to join in this community fitness event. In September, for one special and fun weekend, Battle Creek Family Y Center and area businesses will sponsor the Cereal City Corporate Cup, and there are expected to be over 4,000 participants on 38 different teams. The event has become an annual summer highlight of the area promoting fitness, fun and friendly competition, esprit de corps, company morale, and community awareness.

Celebrating its 18<sup>th</sup> year, the CCCC is a demonstration of community spirit and a great opportunity for working men and women to discover the benefits of feeling and looking their best. The competition is for athletes **and** non-athletes alike. Events include the one mile run, 5K run, co-ed basketball, co-ed tennis, co-ed volleyball, co-ed swimming relay, co-ed 4 x100 relay race, and closest to the pin (golf). Non-athletic events include the one mile time predict walk, 5K time predict walk, 10 mile time predict bike, co-ed tug of war, spirit contest, banner contest, and Parade of Athletes. All events take

place September 16-18 in the local Battle Creek area.

If you are interested in being a 110 FW team member, the base POCs are Master Sgt. Ben Hubbard, est. 3237 and Lt. Col. Donna Kowalski, ext. 3222. The sign up roster is located in Bldg. 6905 (O&T bldg), near the Finance office, and includes the dates, times, and locations of all events. And everyone really does win! Team points are awarded for both participating and placing in all events. An overall winner in each division will be determined. The team with the highest point total will receive the CCCC trophy and plaques will be awarded to the top three places of each individual event. So, we're bound to do well by just participating, but with the talent and energy so many of our members possess, this is guaranteed to be a fun-filled and exciting competition. Also, members who sign up to be part of the team are eligible for a free Battle Creek Family Y Center membership from June 21 through Sept. 15. Even if you don't want to sign up for an event, you are invited to share your enthusiasm by cheering your fellow airmen on and even join us in the Parade of Athletes through the Battle Creek neighborhoods. Please contact the POCs if you have any questions and join in the fun!

## European memorials honor those who fought for freedom

**By USAFE News Service**

5/5/2004 - **RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (AFPN)** — An American bomber was shot out of the sky by German fighter aircraft 60 years ago, and on April 29, Airmen from U.S. Air Forces in Europe honored the fallen aircrew in a ceremony in Dinklage, Germany. The B-24 Liberator bomber, named "El Lobo," was returning from a bombing mission to Berlin during World War II when it was shot down. It crashed in Dinklage. Honor Guard members from the 568th Security Forces Squadron's elite guard flight crisply folded an American flag and presented it to Army veteran Robert Franke during the dedication of a new memorial that honors his brother, Army Air Force 2nd Lt. Douglas Franke. Lieutenant Franke, navigator of the El Lobo, and the nine other Airmen aboard the bomber were killed in the crash. The ceremony was the culmination of German and American community efforts to find answers to questions about what happened to the El Lobo. Their efforts also created new friendships. "Today we remember all those ... who lost their lives in the air war over Germany," Mr. Franke said. "It is also a day ... family and friends of those killed from both countries can meet together in friendship with thoughts of the future and not the past." During the next couple of months, ceremonies like this one will take place all over Europe. People of many nations will gather to commemorate and remember

those who gave their lives, and honor those who survived World War II. This year, there are large remembrance ceremonies

happening throughout Europe commemorating the 60th anniversary of D-Day and many other important World War II battles. Some of these battles include Operation Market Garden at Arnhem in the Netherlands, and the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium's Ardennes Forest. One of the biggest events will be the D-Day memorial on the beaches of Normandy, France, on June 5 and 6, with heads of state from Germany, France, England and the United States planning to attend. Thousands of veterans, family members, history buffs, tourists and patriots will make the journey to the D-Day landing zones on the northern coast of France, retracing the steps of the forces who began the push to liberate France and eventually all of Europe.



## Avast, me hearties!

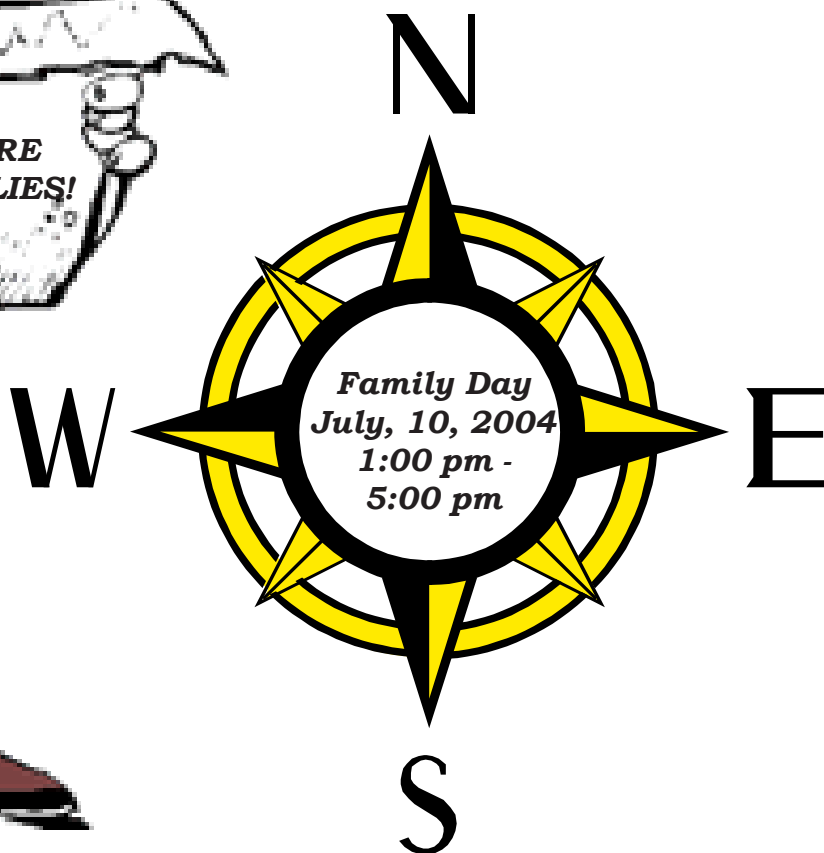
Prepare your crew for a swashbuckling adventure on Family Day, July 10, 2004. Join us in celebrating and appreciating our military families beginning at 1.00 p.m. Don't be a lubber, matey—embark on the journey of fun, and bring out the best pirate in you! (Eye patches, hooks and peg legs are all optional, live parrots are actively discouraged).

Arrr!

### Ports include:

Skin and Bones BMX show	Pirate Invasion Costume Contest
Pirate Poker Walk	Spittin' Image Contest
Blackbeard's Fearless Fleet	Galley Alley (hotdogs and hamburgers)
"The Contraband Classic" Car & Special Interest Vehicle Show	Cannonball Fire
Who will walk the plank???	Loot the Boot & Beach Relay games

...and much more! Watch for more information!





## Thunderbolt Chalet Menu\*

### Saturday

BBQ Chicken  
Cajun Catfish  
Garden Rice  
Mashed Potatoes  
Mustard Greens  
Black eyed peas  
Salad Bar  
Coconut Cream Pie  
Apple Cobbler

#### Short Order Line:

Burgers/cheeseburgers  
French Fries  
Stuffed Shrimp  
Hot Dogs  
French Fries

#### Cost

--Enlisted Traditional Guard  
members in UTA status-- **FREE**  
--Officers and AGRs -- \$3.30

### Sunday

Cajun Catfish  
Garden Rice  
Mashed Potatoes  
Mustard Greens  
Black eyed peas  
Beef Tacos  
Spanish Rice  
Mexican Corn  
Green Beans  
Salad Bar  
Chocolate Cake  
Strawberry Shortcake

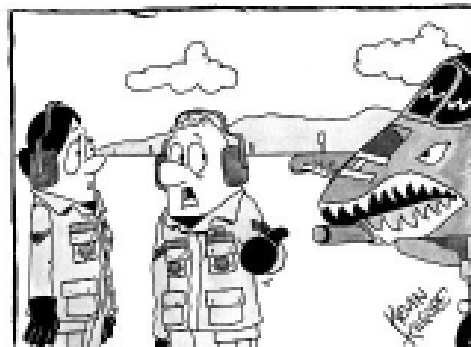
#### Short Order Line:

Burgers/cheeseburgers  
Hot Dogs  
French Fries  
Mini Burritos

*\* Subject to change*

#### Dining Hours:

Saturday & Sunday  
11a.m. to 1 p.m.



"Keep your eyes on that one, it looks hungry."

### Setting it Straight. . .

→ In last month's edition of the JetStream, the article titled "101 Days of Safety Campaign kicks off" was written by Senior Master Sgt. Robert Shankelton of the 110th Safety Office. His by-line was inadvertently left out. We thank him for his contribution and his patience.

→ For those of you who did not see last month's edition, we also apologize, there was an unfortunate oversight at the printers' shop that caused the misplacing of the file, causing the mailing deadline to be missed. Thank you to everybody for your patience and support of the JetStream.

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